Statement

No. of closures during 1988 (*Provisional*)

States	1988 (January-November)*
Andhra Pradesh	5
Arunachal Pradesh	..
Assam	0
Bihar	1
Goa	0
Gujarat	12
Haryana	19
Himachal Pradesh	..
Jammu & Kashmir	..
Karnataka	0
Kerala	1
Madhya Pradesh	0
Maharashtra	70
Manipur	0
Meghalaya	..
Mizoram	..
Nagaland	..
Orissa	4
Punjab	3
Rajasthan	2
Sikkim	..
Tamil Nadu	5
Tripura	3
Uttar Pradesh	0
West Bengal	..
Andaman & Nicobar	0
Chandigarh	..
Dadra & Ngr. Haveli	0
Delhi	5
Daman & Diu	..
Lakshadweep	0
Pondicherry	0
TOTAL	130

..—Not available.
*—Information is maintained only by calendar years.

Source : Labour Bureau

Sugar mills in Assam

2609. SHRI PRITHIBI MAJHI: Will the Minister of FOOD AND CIVIL SUPPLIES be pleased to state:

(a) the number of sugar mills in the Co-operative Sector in Assam;

(b) the number of Co-operative Sugar mills in the State running in loss; and

(c) if so, the reasons therefor?

THE DEPUTY MINISTER IN THE MINISTRY OF FOOD AND CIVIL SUPPLIES (SHRI D. L. BAITHA): (a) There are two sugar mills in the Co-operative Sector in Assam.

(b) and (c) The Government does not maintain profit and loss accounts in respect of sugar mills. The sugar policy is announced by the Government of India from time to time. The profitability or otherwise of a sugar factory depends on a variety of factors which include cane availability, technical and managerial competence of a sugar mill and certain other factors which are not directly regulated by the sugar policy. The ultimate responsibility to ensure efficient running of a sugar mill lies solely with the management.

Location of New Bhati Mines in the country

2610. SHRI MUKHTIAR SINGH MALIK: Will the Minister of STEEL AND MINES be pleased to state:

(a) whether new Bhati mines have been located in the country during the last one year;

(b) if so, the number of such mines which have been located; and